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SUBJECT: IMPOUNDED AIRCRAFT IN TANZANIA

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 683

1. AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY'S REGIONAL DIRECTOR APPROACHED EMB ON SECURITY OF PIPER NAVAHO AIRCRAFT, REGISTRATION 5Y-SCL RECENTLY CONFISCATED AT MANYARA. ALTHOUGH AIRPLANE IS OWNED AND OPERATED BY NON-AMERICAN FIRM, SUNBIRD CHARTERS, ALI HOLDS A DEBENTURE WORTH 72,500 SHILLINGS ON AIRCRAFT WITH FINAL PAYMENT DUE FEBRUARY 28, 1977. AMERICAN LIFE'S CONCERN, BESIDES RECOVERY OF ITS DEBT, IS CONTINUED SERVICEABILITY OF PLANE, WHICH COULD RAPIDLY DETERIORATE THROUGH EXPOSURE TO HEAT AND MOISTURE.

2. EMB POINTED OUT TO FIRM'S DIRECTOR THAT U.S. PROPERTY INTERESTS IN AIRCRAFT APPEARED RATHER TENUOUS AND SUBSTANTIALLY WEAKENED JUSTIFICATION FOR DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION ON HIS BEHALF. WE PROMISED NEVERTHELESS, TO FORWARD DETAILS ON PLANE REGISTRATION AND LOCATION TO DAR ES SALAAM FOR WHATEVER ASSISTANCE U.S. OFFICIALS THERE DEEMED APPROPRIATE. WE WILL BE HAPPY TO PASS ON
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PERTINENT INFO TO AMERICAN LIFE. PER ADVICE IN REFTEL WE WILL ALSO FORWARD ATTORNEY'S LIST TO ALI WITH SUGGESTION THAT AVAILABLE LEGAL REMEDIES BE EXHAUSTED.

3. ON SUBJECT OTHER AIRPLANE CONFISCATIONS, EMBOFF SPOKE WITH MANAGING DIRECTOR OF SAFARI AIR SERVICES, U.S. CHARTER COMPANY LOCATED IN NAIROBI. SAS LOST

FIVE PLANES IN TANZANIAN ROUND-UP BUT MANAGING DIRECTOR
DAVE LEONARD HAS ALREADY INITIATED PRIVATE CONTACTS
WITH TANGOV TO EFFECT RELEASE. HE IS SATISFIED WITH
DIRECTION OF THESE DISCUSSIONS AND REQUESTED THAT USG
FOR TIME BEING NOT REPEAT NOT MAKE ANY OFFICIAL
REPRESENTATIONS ON FIRM'S BEHALF.

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